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REPORT

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THE MEDICAL OFFICER

OF HEALTH

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URBAN DISTRICT OF HORNSEA

YEAR - 1947.



HORNSEA URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL  
Report of the Medical Officer of Health for 1947.

To the Chairman and Members of the Urban District Council of Hornsea.

Sir, or Madam,

I beg to present my Annual Report as Medical Officer of Health for the year ended 31st December, 1947.

The Vital Statistics for the district shew an appreciable increase in the birth rate and a smaller decrease in the death rate. As in the preceding year the birth rate has been enhanced by the large number of births from out-lying districts conducted in a local private nursing home. The principal cause of death was cardio-vascular disease, one third of the deaths being attributable to this cause alone.

The incidence of notifiable infectious disease was low and all the cases were confined to the first quarter of the year. Further, all the cases notified were measles, with one exception, a single case of scarlet fever. For the fifth year in succession the district has remained free from diphtheria a notable tribute to the efficiency of immunisation against the disease.

Rainfall.

The rainfall for the year was the lowest since records were first taken in 1923 only 17.49 inches being recorded. March had the heaviest rainfall - 4.05 inches; the driest month was August with 0.25 inches. Only 2.39 inches was recorded during the third quarter of the year.



## Statistics and Social Conditions of the Area.

Area - 3292 acres inclusive of inland water.

Resident population as computed by the Registrar-General mid 1947 - 4710.

Number of inhabited houses - 1838.

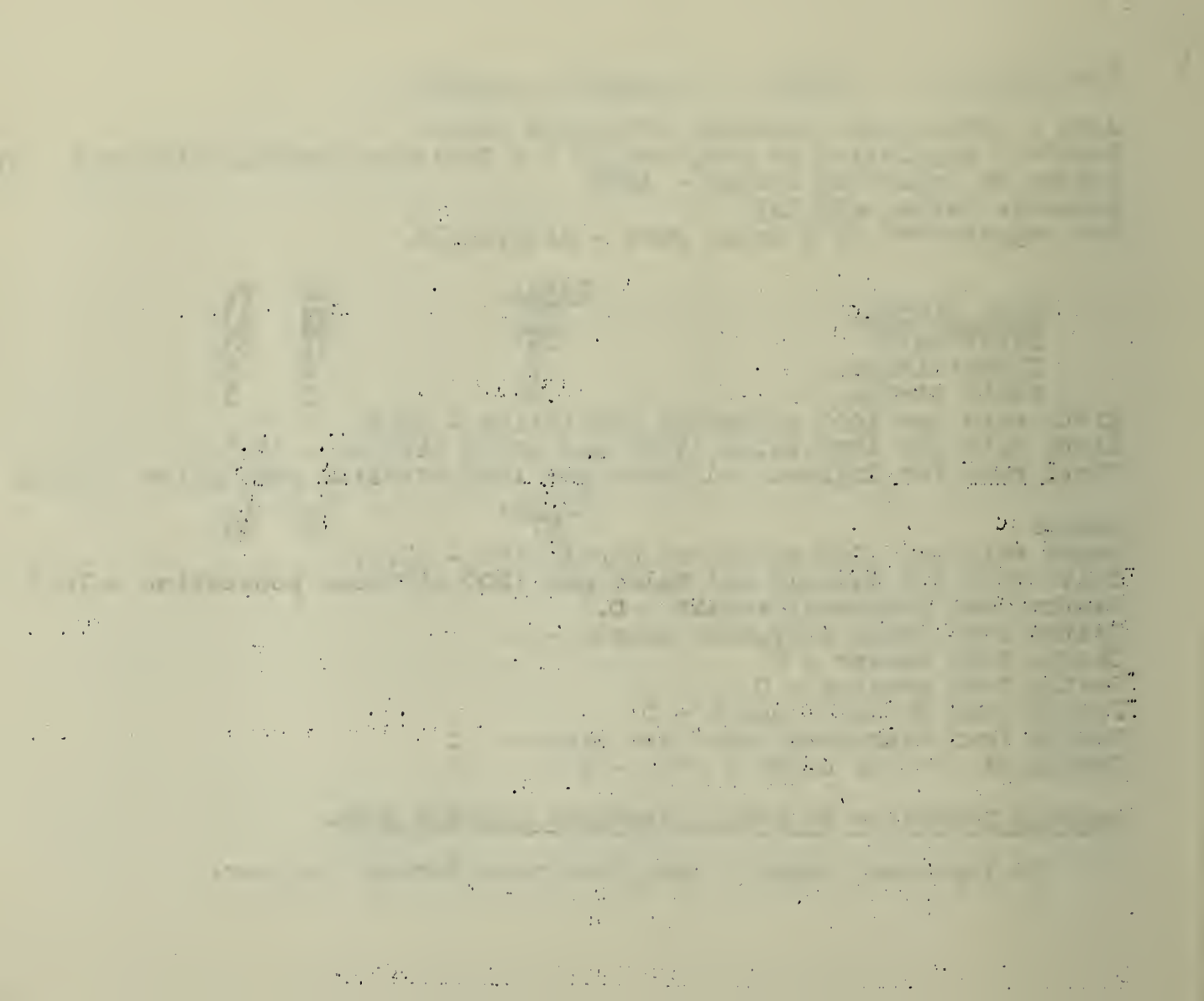
Rateable Value - £35,147.

Sum represented by a penny rate - £138.12.1d.

	<u>Total.</u>	M.	F.
Live Births.	92	49	43
Legitimate.	85	47	38
Illegitimate.	7	2	5
Still Births.	2	1	1
Birth rate per 1000 estimated population - 19.5			
Birth rate per 1000 total (live and still births) - 19.9			
Birth rate for England and Wales per 1000 civilian population - 20.5.			
Deaths	<u>Total.</u> 57	M. 28	F. 29
Death rate per 1000 estimated population - 12.1.			
Death rate for England and Wales per 1000 civilian population - 12.0.			
Deaths from puerperal sepsis - 0.			
Deaths from other puerperal causes - 0.			
Deaths from cancer - 8			
Deaths from measles - 0			
Deaths from whooping cough - 0			
Deaths from diarrhoea under two years - 0			
Deaths of infants under 1 year - 2			

## General Provision of Health Services for the Area.

No important changes have been made during the year.



## Sanitary Circumstances in the Area.

Water. Water is purchased in bulk from the Hull Corporation and distributed by the Council.

Quantity registered by meter during the year - 53,022,000 galls.

Maximum weekly consumption - 1,585,000 galls.

Minimum weekly consumption - 1,008,000 galls.

Average daily consumption - 145,260 galls.

New services connected during the year - 38.

Water mains have been laid for the houses in course of construction on the Hornsea Burton Housing Estate.

## Drainage and Sewage.

The drainage system has functioned efficiently throughout the year. A Ministry of Health inquiry was held to consider the Council's application for consent to borrow £8,000 for the purpose of relaying the sewer outfall.

New sewers designed on the separate system are in course of construction on the Hornsea Burton Housing Site.

## Public Cleansing.

House refuse collections were carried out by motor transport at intervals of approximately ten days, the refuse being disposed of by incineration. The net cost of this service for the year was £1,861.

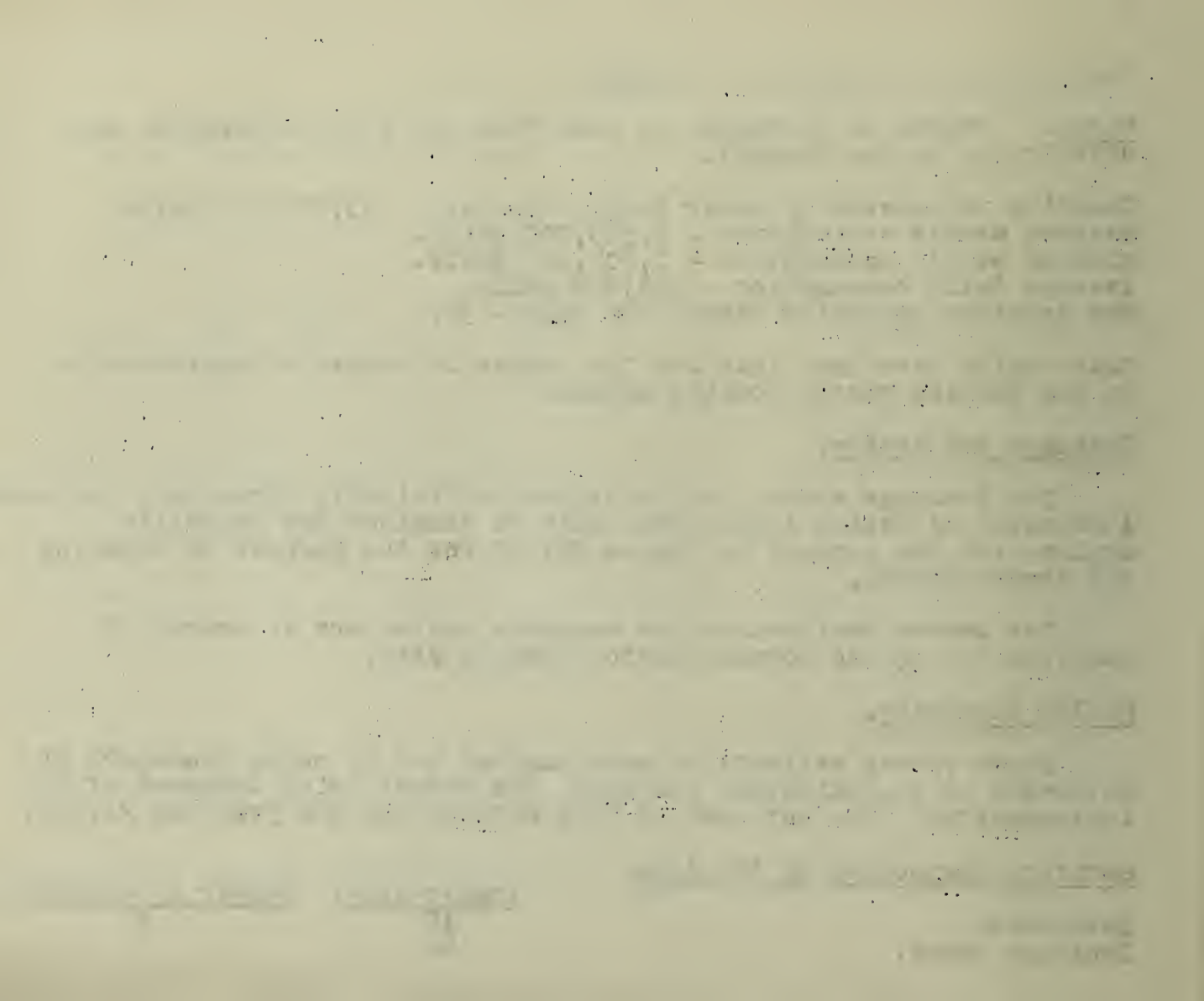
## Sanitary Inspection of the Area.

Bakehouses.

Drainage Works.

<u>Inspections.</u>	<u>Number in district.</u>
10	4
64	







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	<u>Inspections.</u>	<u>Number in district.</u>
Rats and Mice Destruction.	59	
Shops.	27	133
Dwelling Houses (all purposes)	459	1617
Food Inspection.	31	
Water Supplies.	625	
<u>Camping Sites.</u>		

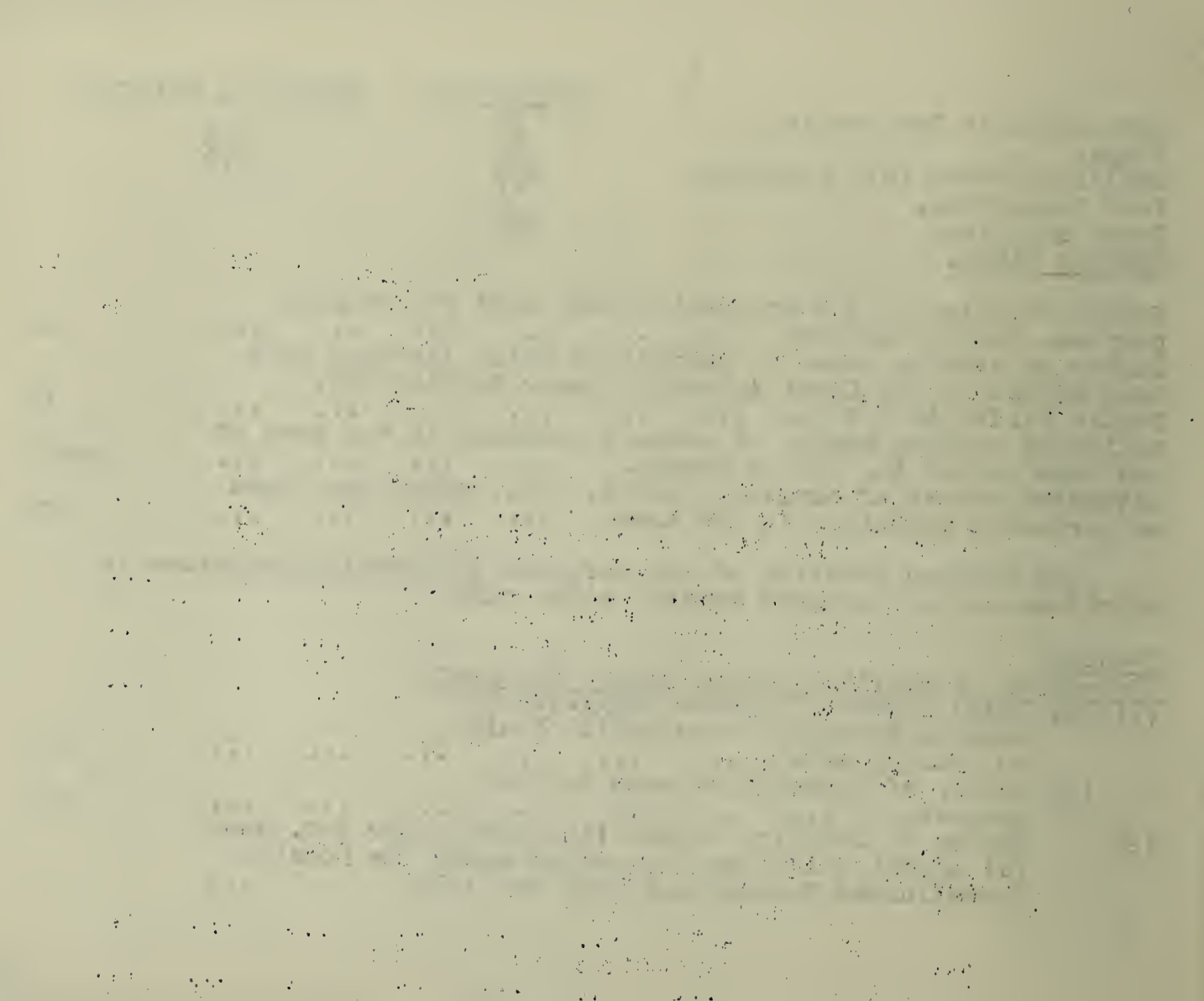
Number of sites in the area which were used for camping purposes during the year ... ..	4
Number of camping sites in respect of which licenses have been issued by the Local Authority under Section 269, Public Health Act, 1936. ... ..	5
Estimated maximum number of campers resident in the area at one time during the summer season.. ... ..	2000
Estimated number of caravans, sheds, etc., which were used as permanent dwellings in the area. ... ..	80

The further erection of new caravans and camping bungalows is permitted on the licensed camping sites only.

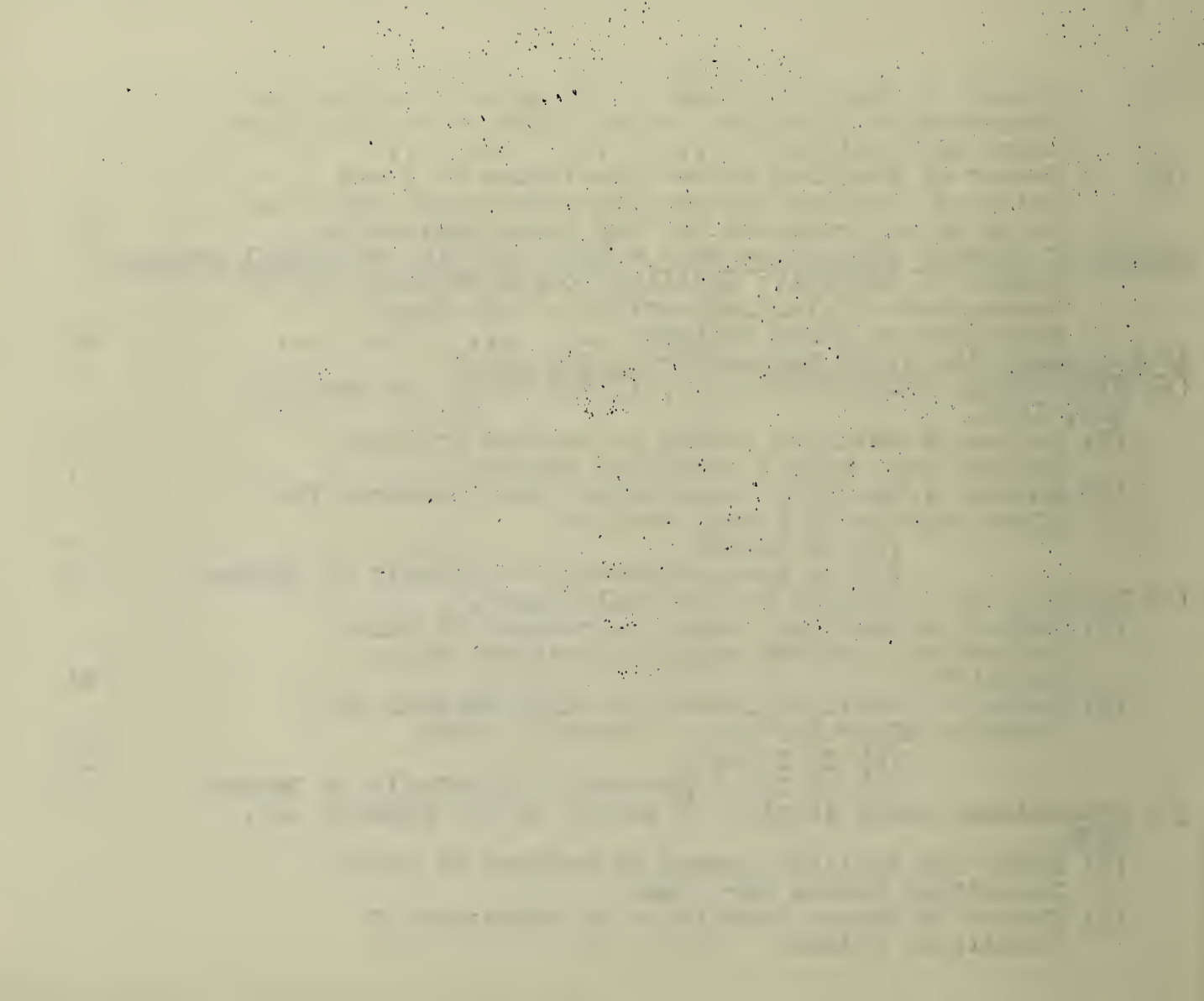
#### Housing.

##### Inspection of dwelling houses during the year.

(1) (a) Total number of houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts) ... ..	105
(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose.. ... ..	112
(2) Number of dwelling houses (included under sub. head (1) above) which were inspected under the Housing Consolidated Regulations 1925 and 1932. ... ..	6



(3)	Number of dwelling houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation...	7
(4)	Number of dwelling houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-head) found not to be in all respects fit for human habitation...	63
<u>Remedy of defects during the year without service of formal notices.</u>		
	Number of defective dwelling houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their Officers ...	47
<u>Action under Statutory Powers during the year.</u>		
(a)	Proceedings under Sections 9, 10 and 16 of the Housing Act, 1936.	
(1)	Number of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs	7
(2)	Number of dwelling houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices.	
	(a) By Owners.	7
	(b) By Local Authority in default of Owners	0
(b)	Proceedings under the Public Health Acts.	
(1)	Number of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied.	21
(2)	Number of dwelling houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices	
	(a) By Owners.	19
	(b) By Local Authority in default of Owners	0
(c)	Proceedings under Section 11 and 13 of the Housing Act, 1936.	
(1)	Number of dwelling houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made	0
(2)	Number of houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders.	1



- (d) Proceedings under Section 12 of the Housing Act, 1936.
- (1) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which closing orders were made. 0
  - (2) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were determined the tenement or room having been rendered fit 0

#### New Houses.

- (a) Total number of applicants for Council houses at the end of the year... 386
- (b) New houses to be erected by Local Authority. 223

During the first quarter of the year progress with the housing estate was slow owing to the inclement winter weather. Later, work was retarded from time to time on account of shortage of materials and lack of certain specialised types of workers, e.g. plasterers and layers of composition floors. This delayed the handing over of houses completed in other respects. All circumstances being considered progress during the year was satisfactory.

- (c) Houses erected during the year.

	Type		
	Prefabricated		Permanent
	Temporary	Permanent	
By Local Authority	0	0	28
By Private Enterprise	0	0	9

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During the past several years, we have received a number of inquiries from individuals who are interested in the services we provide. We have been pleased to provide the information requested and to assist in the process of obtaining the services. We are currently reviewing the information provided and will be in contact with you again in the near future.

(a) Source of information

Source of information	Type of information	
	Direct	Indirect
1. Direct	1	2
2. Indirect	3	4



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(d) Houses in Course of Erection at end of the year.

	Type		
	Prefabricated		Permanent
	Temporary	Permanent	
By Local Authority	0	0	98
By Private Enterprise	0	0	6

Inspection and Supervision of Food.

Number of Cowkeepers on the Register ...	...	...	...	6
Number of inspections of cowsheds. ...	...	...	...	5
Number of dairymen (other than cowkeepers) on the register	...	...	...	5
Number of inspections of dairy premises. ...	...	...	...	2

Contraventions of Milk and Dairies Orders.

	Found during year	Remedied during year	Outstanding at end of year.
Cleansing	0		0
Structural			
Alterations	0		0
Utensils	0		0
Other matters			



Date		Description		Amount	
1890	Jan 1	Balance		100.00	
	Feb 1	Received from A. B.		50.00	
	Mar 1	Received from C. D.		25.00	
	Apr 1	Received from E. F.		75.00	
	May 1	Received from G. H.		100.00	
	Jun 1	Received from I. J.		150.00	
	Jul 1	Received from K. L.		200.00	
	Aug 1	Received from M. N.		250.00	
	Sep 1	Received from O. P.		300.00	
	Oct 1	Received from Q. R.		350.00	
	Nov 1	Received from S. T.		400.00	
	Dec 1	Received from U. V.		450.00	
	Total			2000.00	

The above is a statement of the account of the  
 business of the firm of A. B. & C. D. for the year  
 ending December 31, 1890. The balance of the  
 account is \$2000.00.

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Notifiable Diseases during the year 1947.

Disease.	Total Cases Notified	Cases Ad- mitted to Hospital	Total Deaths.
Smallpox	0	0	0
Scarlet Fever	1	1	0
Diphtheria	0	0	0
Enteric Fever	0	0	0
Puerperal Fever	0	0	0
Pneumonia	0	0	0
Other diseases generally notifiable.			
(a) Measles	34	0	0
(b) Whooping Cough	0	0	0

Immunisation against diphtheria has been carried out by the local practitioners.

Number of children of pre-school age immunised	...	...	...	50
" " " " school " "	...	...	...	2

Tuberculosis.

Five new cases of pulmonary tuberculosis were placed on the register during the year, one having come to notice without formal notification. Two deaths from the disease occurred. Notification of tuberculosis in the district is efficient.

Your obedient Servant,

L. French, B.Sc., M.B., B.S.

Medical Officer of Health.

